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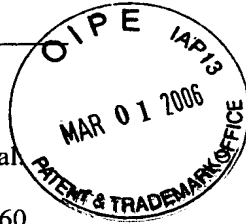
Date March 1, 2006

In re the Application of

Takamitsu ASANUMA et al

Application No.: 10/829,160

Filed: June 3, 2004

For: **DEVICE FOR PURIFYING THE EXHAUST GAS OF AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION
ENGINE**

Group Art Unit: 3748

Examiner: T. NGUYEN

Docket No.: 110108.01

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
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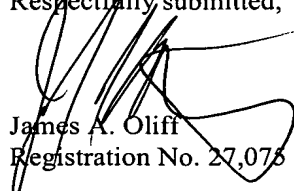
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired February 1, 2006, an extension of time for a period of 1 month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 177141 in the amount of \$120 in payment for:

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